

**Puerto Rican Educators Association  
of New Jersey**

**Established 1970**



**Annual  
Teacher's Recognition  
Day**

**Dinner - Dance**

**Saturday, June 1, 1985**

**Mediterranean Manor  
Centro Orensano  
54 Bruen & Lafayette Streets  
Newark, New Jersey**



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## Annual Teacher Recognition Dinner - Dance

### - Presentation of Awards -

Dinner, Dance, Music, Open Bar ..... 9:00 P.M. - 2:00 A.M.  
Music by ..... Casino International  
and D.J.



## - Program -

Mistress of Ceremonies .....	Iris Martinez Arroyo
Invocation .....	Rev. Manny Cruz
Welcome .....	Berigno Santiago
Guest Speaker .....	Etch M. Mistry
Remarks (Text concerning Superior Merit de Honor) .....	José Folto

## - Honorees -

Luis M. Rivera .....	Bilingual Teacher Roberto Clemente School
Presenter .....	Iris Martinez Arroyo
Luis M. López .....	Bilingual Teacher McKinley Elementary School
Presenter .....	Fidelfonso Soto

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# - P.R.E.A. -

## Puerto Rican Educators Association, Inc. of New Jersey

We left our native land toward an uncertain future in a distant, strange country, full of doubts, but also full of hopes, and a strong determination to build a future for ourselves and our generations. Thus, we set ourselves to the task of establishing the foundations for that future. We have adopted as our starting point the knowledge of who we are and where we find ourselves in history, as individuals, and as members of a strong, proud community with its own language and customs. We have chosen education as the cornerstone on which to build that future.

As members of the Puerto Rican-Hispanic community, the Puerto Rican Educators Association of New Jersey, Inc., with a sense of commitment to the needs of that community, and our obligation to its members, submit these principles of goals and intentions toward meeting those needs.



**Eugenio María de Hostos**

HOSTOS is more than a thinker, more than a teacher, more than a literary figure and more than a apostle. Hostos is the living soul of a superior human quality that generously gives to the America of his time, a quiet definition that nurtures the moral future of our land. His public life saw him working for the liberation of Cuba, and Puerto Rico, and advocating against the exploitation of Chinese immigrants and the opening of educational opportunities for the Latin American women. In Puerto Rico he championed the movement for the abolition of slavery.